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APPLICANTS: Mohsen Sarraf CONF. NO.: 1669
SERIAL NO.: 09/681,720 GROUP: 2633
FILED: May 25, 2001 EXAMINER: Hung Nhat Ngo
FOR: DIFFERENTIAL DENSE WAVELENGTH DIVISION
MULTIPLEXING (DDWDM) IN OPTICAL SYSTEMS
DOCKET NO.: 29250-000965/US

RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

May 20, 2004

Dear Sir:

In response to the Examiner's Restriction Requirement dated April 20, 2004, the following remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

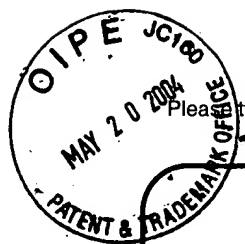
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Remarks

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